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TO: Procurement and Contracting Officers (PCO)

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RE: Free GTC Seminar on Recent Legislation Affecting State Contracting

Set aside the date!

Wednesday, May 12, 2004 from 10:00 to Noon in Room 205 at Government Technology Conference (GTC) West being held in the Sacramento Convention Center, May 12-14, 2004.

Learn how new laws and regulations might affect your business or contracting at a free two-hour seminar. If you didn't get an opportunity to attend the DGS Customer Forums in February or March where this was presented, this is your chance!

The Sacramento Gold Rush Chapter of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA) is presenting a **free** seminar in conjunction with the California Department of General Services, Procurement Division, as a free service to the government and business community on...

Recent Legislation Affecting State Contracting

Last year's legislative session saw over a dozen new laws affecting the state contracting process for bidders and buyers alike. This session will review the new laws and how the state has implemented them in the contracting process through revised solicitation documents and contract provisions. There will be a detailed discussion on new requirements requiring certified Small Businesses (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) prime contractors and subcontractors to provide a "commercially useful function."

The speaker is Mariel Dennis, JD, NCMA Fellow. Mariel is Chief, California Department of General Services, Procurement Division's Office of Small Business (SB) and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (DVBE) Services.

GTC is the largest technology-exposition in the western states devoted to the government marketplace. Admission to the GTC expo and the NCMA seminar is **free**, **but**, **you must register at GTC to attend**. We highly recommend you **sign up online** in order to shorten the time standing in line for a badge. Your badge is good for the three-day exposition "trade show" floor and the Keynote speech by Carly Fiorina, President of Hewlett Packard on Wednesday, May 12, 2004.

GTC-West, May 10-14, 2004 Sacramento Convention Center, is located at 1400 J St. (between 12th and 15th Sts.), downtown Sacramento, California. Parking in city and private garages is nearby and does cost by the hour; or park further out and ride RT as well.

To sign up for and find more info on the GTC:

Go to www.govtech.net/gtc pass. (There is an underscore in there.) Wait while all the ads load. Click on yellow "register" banner on right side. Registration is Free for the Keynote and Expo and our seminar session.

This NCMA Seminar is one day only on May 12th, 10am-12 noon, Room 205 (upstairs). **Show up early** as you need time to park, walk, and get your badge before entering. Registration opens at 7:30am and the Exposition floor opens at 9:30am.

There will be a **Gold Rush Chapter meeting immediately following** in same room for about one hour. Food will not be served so bring your own lunch or purchase lunch from the various places at the Convention Center or adjacent restaurants.

For questions, contact Patrick Collins, NCMA Gold Rush Chapter Publicity Chair at 916-204-4457 or email pcollins@ktconsultinginc.com For information about NCMA or the Sacramento Gold Rush Chapter, visit www.ncmahq.com